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**Via Email** ([bleach@hopewellva.gov](mailto:bleach@hopewellva.gov))

Mr. Benjamin Leach  
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RE: Virginia Pollution Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) Permit No. VAR040015  
Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Program Audit

Dear Mr. Leach:

The Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) would like to thank you for your time and assistance in conducting the January 28, 2016 audit of your MS4 program. With this letter is a copy of the MS4 Program Audit report that contains needed corrective actions, as well as recommendations to improve the MS4 program. Within 60 days of receipt of this report, DEQ requests that you submit a written response demonstrating that corrective actions contained in the MS4 Audit report were accomplished.

If necessary, you may propose an alternative date by which to submit the requested response provided sufficient reason is provided to support the alternative date. The purpose of this letter is to solicit additional information regarding your MS4 program as required by the General Permit. If you have any questions regarding this letter or the attached MS4 Audit report, please contact me at (804) 527-5012, or by e-mail at [Joseph.Bryan@deq.virginia.gov](mailto:Joseph.Bryan@deq.virginia.gov). DEQ looks forward to working with you as you continue to develop and refine your MS4 Program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joseph B. Bryan".

Joseph B. Bryan  
VPDES Permit Writer

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